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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

References - - See attached Form PTO-1449

The citations listed may be material to the examination of the subject application and are therefore submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure defined in 37 CFR § 1.56. Copies of the foreign patents and cited publications are attached.

The Examiner is requested to make these citations of official record in this application. No admission is made regarding whether all the submitted references are prior art.

In an abundance of caution, in accordance with the duty to disclose information and in order to assist the Office in evaluating the current reissue application, Applicant's attorney would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner events that occurred in the chain of dependency of U.S. Patent No. 6,307,848, although none of these events occurred in the prosecution of the application which ultimately issued as U.S. Patent 6,307,848. In the parent application, Serial No. 09/551,304, which issued into U.S. Patent No. 6,226,300, Claims 42-46 and 61-65 were cancelled in an amendment filed October 30, 2000. Claim 42 related to a method of addressing messages from an interrogator to a selected one or more of a number of communications devices and recited establishing for

respective devices unique identification numbers; causing the devices to select random values, wherein respective devices choose random values independently of random values selected by the other devices; transmitting a communication, from the interrogator, requesting devices having random values within a specified group of random values to respond; receiving the communication at multiple devices, devices receiving the communication respectively determining if the random value chosen by the device falls within the specified group; and, if so, sending a reply to the interrogator; and determining using the interrogator if a collision occurred between devices that sent a reply and, if so, creating a new, smaller, specified group that is one quarter of the first mentioned specified group. Claim 61 was a system claim that generally tracked Claim 42, using “means for” clauses, but used the term “command” instead of --communication--. Claims 42-46 and 61-65 differed from other claims that were pursued in application serial number 09/551,304 in that they all recited, among other elements, “a new, smaller, specified group that is one quarter of the first mentioned specified group.” Claims 42-46 were similar to Claims 3-7 issued in the original parent, U.S. Patent No. 6,072,801, except that the term --communication-- was used instead of “command” and the first two clauses were broadened from “establishing a first predetermined number of bits to be used as unique identification numbers, and establishing for respective devices unique identification numbers respectively having the first predetermined number of bits; establishing a second

predetermined number of bits to be used for random values;" to --establishing for respective devices unique identification numbers;--. However, again, this cancellation of claims occurred in a related application, not in the application which matured into U.S. Patent No. 6,307,848 for which reissue is currently sought.

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